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Group Art Unit : 2873
Appl. No. : 10/790,737 **Confirmation No.: 2645**
Examiner : Alicia HARRINGTON
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For : OBJECTIVE LENS FOR OPTICAL DISCS

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

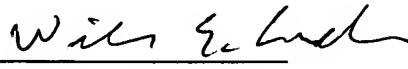
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Sir :

In response to the Notice of Allowability, mailed by the Patent and Trademark Office on December 3, 2004 and to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance attached thereto, Applicant wishes to clarify the record with respect to the basis for the patentability of claims in the present application. In this regard, while Applicant does not disagree with the Examiner's indication that certain identified features are not disclosed by the references, Applicant submits that each of the claims in the present application recite a particular combination of features, and that the basis for patentability of each of these claims is based on the totality of the particular features recited therein.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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